MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI : May I know whether it would no be an advantage to recruit a teacher from an aided school rather than a fresh one ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI : It is a matter of opinion. It is not always.....

PRESIDENT : Apart from that, honourable members would realise that already the drift from private or aided schools to Government schools is very strong and if it is to be taken as a matter of course that recruitment from private schools to Government Schools will be adopted, the private schools will be in a bad condition. That is a matter which has to be considered in dealing with this question. Aided school managers would find it difficult to give as good salary as Government can. So if it is to be taken for granted that as soon as a man has done fairly well in an aided school, he is taken over to a Government school, the managements would suffer greatly. I do not know what the general opinion is. That will be one of the matters which will be discussed on the educational reorganisation debate.

MR. D. THOMAS : What is the age limit for the teachers ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI : So far as the Public Service Recruitment is concerned, the age limit is fixed by the Public Service Recruitment rules

Appointments of Arabic Munshies and Koran teachers.

292. *MR. P. S. MAHOMED (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of appointments of Arabic Munshies and Koran teachers recommended by the Inspector of Mahomedan Schools during the periods of 1118, 1119 and 1120 till now ;

(*b*) the number of appointments of Arabic Munshies and Koran teachers made during the above period ; and

(*c*) the number of vacancies of Arabic and Koran teachers that was brought to the notice of the Public Service Commissioner for recruitment?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI : (*a*) Such official communications are treated as confidential.

(*b*) 1118 1.
1119 3.
1120 Nil.

(*c*) 6.

Muslim teachers in Vernacular Schools.

293 *MR. P. S. MAHOMED : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of teachers in the Vernacular Primary, Middle and High Schools separately with the number of Muslims among them ?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI : The time and labour involved in collecting the information are not commensurate with the benefit derivable.

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